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EXPECTATIONS

It is expected that the Johnson-Jeffries fight for the heavyweight championship of the world will bring a quarter of a million to the muscular giants who indulge in such brutality meet the tastes of those who still

enjoy gavage sport. Ordinarily it might be thought there cannot be many such in Christian America when Evangelist Chapman is proclaiming that the light of Christianity is within five years to bring India, China and most of the heathen world into Christian brotherhood with the enlightened Christian nations of the west; but those who know how to estimate the number of such patat 25,000 at \$10 a ticket for a few minutes of excitement, which rounds up \$250,000 for the ticket office, and leaves over the purse of \$101.000 to go to the participants, \$149,000 for expenses and premiums to those who manage the fight; and later on the films will draw other crowds to the vaudsville houses and the little theaters, and that income may be twice as large as the one from the sale of

This shows that vice has the biggest pull upon the popular wallet, and that men will pay the biggest prices for the most demoralizing perform-

It will take more than five years to debrutalize a large portion of our own civilized population.

THE NEW WOMAN.

According to Mrs. Ella Flagg Young of Chicago, one of the very few women in the world capable of earning \$16,000 a year by her own ability, ventures to try to make us all acquainted with "the new woman," and she seems to be worth knowing. Mrs. Young says: "It is the new woman who rates the home first among all of earth's institutions, and believes in protecting it from saloon environat and saloon encroachment, as well as from the greed of the man who would collect rentals from poverty for tenements dilapidated and wholly unfit for human habitation. It is she who is taking up the battle of the babies, hundreds of whom are murdered annually in our great cities through poor sanitation, ignorant motherhood and criminal milkmen. It so she who is pleading the rights of childhood to playtime and sunshine and school; who is seeking to emanespate it from the mill and the mine; who is opening mothers' clubs and mothers' schools; who is providing summer vacations in the country and summer playgrounds in the city, that the children of the slums may bese the children of actual homes, the children of privileges. The 'new' woand over-worked sister everywhere, seeking to lighten her burdens and shorten her hours of toil."

Now we see plain enough that the "new woman" is the old woman glorifled, the woman who in future will have her sphere above the crown of her head as a mark of saintship in-stead of about her to limit her capaman" on the O. K. of Mrs. Young. She is the real thing and we cannot get along without her.

A PATHETIC LITTLE LETTER.

When the juvenile world is touched by parents, the press or the great department stores about Christmas time, It is found to respond quickly and to know what it wants. Among the girls the demand for dolls is as strong as The following is a copy of a girl's letter received by the Philadelphia Times:

if you pleas Will you ask Santi Kloss 2 give me a dol for Christmass I nevr has one yet en i is onter ste yeres old but me mom says if I rite to you I ken git a dol.

I sint got no pop. he died once, en i aint got no dol. I had one wunce en me pop when he wus livin he tuk it to a hock shop en sol it fer munnie to buy a drink with en he nevr let me hay a dol. But hes ded now en if you ken I will like to have a doi. pleas ansur.

M. T., aged 3. There is a picture of life for you-an experience of innocence. One-half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives until something of this kind lifts the curtain. There may be was not at, that he is no nothing in Norwich quite equal to to tell just where he is. this-there may be a few cases just as bad. It is pleasant to think that nothing quite equal to this could happen in the state of Connecticut; but there are enough cases of extreme juvenile need, and those who knew where a doll will do much good should not hesitate to meet the expectations of the child.

A little Norwich girl who addressed a letter to Santa Claus and wanted nearly a whole toy shop signed herself as "Your old chum, aged 6." Of course, Santa Claus would not be gull-ty of neglecting an "old chum" of that age and standing.

It is quite a Christmas present to the country when Gompers tells united labor that a demonstration if he has to go to jail is foolishness. It is a gift of peace.

The nation spends ten millions a year in feeding and clothing the Indians, and they show an increase of 40,000 on account of kindly care, in twenty years,

The self-leveling table makes pool, billiards or croquet possible on ship-board, but the self-leveling deck is what the sessick are hoping will soon be invented.

Harry Thaw is trying to get into better society. The environment at Matteswan does not suit him, and he has asked to be assigned to a new bughouse.

The fine of \$5,000 imposed upon the Ice trust is not hot enough to keep them from squeezing twice that amount out of the people, and then

Poet Watson has Alfred Austin completely beaten, for he never had two nations stirred up by two of his lines, CARE OF THE HORSE.

The horse that is slipping on the icy ground or frosty pavements to the peril of his limbs on cold Do-cember mornings does not show conscientious care, or even that his owner has good sense. It would astonish us if we should see the total of antmals that are crippled and ruined during the winter months just from a mistaken idea of economy or a headless regard of duty toward animals who serve us well and deserve constant protective care. It is apparent often from the load that is put upon horses and abuse of the animal that the creature in the shafts is as intelligent, if not more so, than the driver in the seat.

Incompetence in charge of a horse, an automobile or a steam boller because it is cheap is simply foolishness expressed in the most glaring way when deplorable results tell the story. Any good thing from house to horse is entitled to the best of care, and the man who looks after his beasts of burden and domestic animals with faithfulness has the best of results

and nothing to deplore. is merciful to keep animals well shod and to have a care that they are not abused in any way.

HOME WITHOUT A PARLOR.

It will shock fashionable people as much to learn that the parlor has got to go as much as it will delight thousands of overworked women who realize that it means not only less expense but less tax upon strength and more time to be otherwise used. An authority upon architecture gives notice that the best room is really a superfluity and costs more than it comes to. A well-kept fam-lly room is good enough for callers or guests and this fact is being more and more recognized. Comfort and sunshine are now to be found where once the haircloth furniture and the partially closed shutters repelled fa-Shades and shutters and somber fittings have all quietly abdicated in favor of cordiality and com-

This means that the time spent in keeping the parlor clean can be devoted to excursions in the open air, to entertainment, to improve the health or to accomplish other things of more importance than keeping up old-fash-ioned pride and wasting strength upold-fashioned bric-a-brac and

HE CAN SHOOT BACK.

The men in this state who are hunting State Highway Commissioner MacDonald do not seem to be aware that they have not taken out a license.-Nerwich Bulletin.

The law is "off" continually for public officials, and so is it off with public officials as to the hunters. The hunting of a man like MacDonald differs from hunting chipmunks in that the hunted can fire back and is quite as likely to score as the hunter .-Bridgeport Standard.

We see that The Standard does not realize that when MacDonald does hunt his enemies that he finds that a great many of the offenders are chipmunks and muck-rakers, and that it is more profitable to attend to duty rather than to be spending his time in trying to silence the unsilenceable. There is one thing apparent and that is that the state highway commissioner is never guilty of firing any inef-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Who cares who discovered the North pole if there is plenty of coal in the

Japan shows up two million more inhabitants than it had at the close of the war with Russia

Two weeks from today we shall be calculating how we are to meet the surplus of our indebtedness.

Man calls the hookworm Unicinara Who wonders that it duodinalis. strives to bring the race to grief?

Happy thought for today: feminine smile and bright eyes never get lost in the shadow of the largest

Salt pork at 18 cents a pound in New England, and turkey at twelve cents in Texas, is a strictly 20th century condition.

One county in Texas has turned out fifty thousand dollars' worth of turkeys at \$1 apiece, and expects to do better next year.

Insurance funds come so easy it is not strange that the handlers of them get confirmed in the belief that the revenue is endless. Down in Jersey a nominee for pub-

lic office always thinks that it is necessary to attend church during the campaign, anyhow, The newspaper reporter has found

Dr. Cook in so many places that he was not at, that he is now at a loss Northern Maine already has snow

plentier than potatoes, and those who are yearning for sleigh rides or snowshoeing can find it there. When father finds that he has got

a pair of silk suspenders and slippers out of the Christmas distribution he doesn't mind bills for a hundred or

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Does Norwich Need Hired Governors?

Mr. Editor: I was much interested in the up to date spirit of Gilbert Raymond's address to the Open House club. I do not wonder that he likes the German plan of hiring a competent mayor; and Mr. Raymond is not the only open-eyed citizen who realizes the fact; but if it had a sensitive citizenship the efficiency of the authorities would soon rise from below par to far above it. How many mayors have condemned the violation of the city ordinances forbidding the authorities to exceed the appropriations upon peril of going to jail? One bold mayor told these offenders of his administration they ought to go to jail. They didn't go—the people do not hold them to any responsibility. Why should they care for city ordinances or the voters?

How long ago was it that the discovery was made that there had been no building line established for East Main street, and that because the government engineers had been given a false line, the postoffice sidewalk had to be rebuilt? Has any one since moved to have a building line established? Are not property owners there building and making lines as they please—lines of disorder if not disgrace? Must we go on with no building lines and shifting grades forever, compelling citizens, as has been done at least in one instance, to raise building lines of city surveyors? Why doesn't Norwich have established building lines on its business streets? Is there another city of the size of

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY

A CALL TO ARMS

The old man and his wife sat before the fireplace, hand in hand, the light from the blazing logs playing fitfully on their faces. Sad faces they were, with lines of sorrow deeply engraved upon them-sorrow and a great lone-

upon them—sorrow and a great lone-liness. Now and then the woman rais-ed a knotted hand to her eyes to wipe away the toars that glistened there.

"Twenty years tonight, Mary," the old man said, breaking their long si-lence. His wife's fingers closed more tightly over his. "Twenty years," she repeated, almost in a whisper. "Twen-ty long years." Then her tears came fast, unrestrained.

Suddenly the old man rose. "I'm go-ing to call him," he told her, simply.

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"Yes, Mary. Do you remember"—he lifted her from the chair and she placed her white head against his shoulder—"when our Jim was a wee one and used to stray into the hills after butterflies?" The woman added. "Do you remember how I used to call him home at bedtime? And after I had called him how we used to stand in the doorway waiting to see him run across the old field, a little tired after his day's fun, glad when you took him up in your arms and cuddled him?"

"I remember. Oh, my—" She paused, trembling, then looked half fearfully into her husband's eyes. "The old call of 'taps,' John?"

For answer he went towards the door, at the side of which hung an old bugle, a relic of his early youth, when he had been a bugler in the army. Tenderly he

waiting to see him run across the old field a little tired after his day's fun, glad when you took him up in your arms and cuddled him?"

"I remember. Oh, my—"She paused, trembling, then looked half fearfully into her husband's eyes. "The old cail of 'taps,' John?"

For answer he went towards the door, at the side of which hung an old bugle, a relic of his early youth, when he had been a bugler in the army. Tenderly he took the instrument from its hook, scarcely able to see it through the mist that had gathered in his eyes. It was covered with the rust of years—many had passed since last the sound of it had evoked an echo is in the hills. The woman waited, breathless, for the old man to adjust the stops and place the mouthpiece to his lips. He opened the door.

It was long past midnight. The moon shed bright, impartial rays upon the hills and the fields, making distinct every tree and stone—almost every blade of grass. The old man pointed to a nearby knoll. "There is where we used to see him first," he said, huskily. "First his little face, then his arm as

he waved it to us, sometimes calling:
Blow again, father! Jim likes to hear
Taps bestest of all. And then I would
blow again for him." His voice broke.
"And you think he will hear you tonight, John? Suppose—Oh, I sometimes think he is dead!"
"Hush, little woman, Jim is not dead.
He will hear me. Listen." He filled
his lungs, Then clearly, musically
from all around came the echoes. A
thrush, startled at the sound, rose from
its nest, circled in the air and descended, uttering little plaintive cries.
Soon, however, it became quiet and
again all was silent. In the doorway
the old man and his wife stood, watching the top of the knoil.

Norwich in New England where con-tractors can build offices in a busi-ness street and force the people to walk in the streets in crowded busi-ness sections for months at a time? The city has three such instances at

When Lorillard in New York valued when Lorillard in New York valued a foot of land at \$20,000 in front of his business place to block public improvement, \$20,000 of valuation was added to his tax list, and he came down—has anything been added to the tax lists of the obstructors of public improvements on West Main street who put a valuation of \$2,400 on three

little front-yard patches and have held little front-yard patches and have held up the city for more than a year?

How does Norwich expect to improve Franklin square if three old buildings there have been held as worth over \$180,000—could not be bought for that—are carried on the tax list for less than \$60,000? Is this taxing them on 75 per cent. of their valuation? Is it operating for the growth, respectability and prosperity of the place?

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Norwich, Dec. 13, 1909.

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Affliction's Redeeming Aspects. Senator Culberson must look on the ill health which offers a convenient excuse for his retirement from the democratic leadership of the senate as an affliction not without its redeeming aspects.—New York Sun.

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